A RESOLUTION

BY COUNCILMEMBER JOYCE SHEPERD

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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A FORT McPHERSON CITIZEN ADVISORY GROUP; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Fort McPherson Army Base in southwest Atlanta is important to the local economy by contributing more than \$250 million to metro Atlanta's economy; and

WHEREAS, Fort McPherson is scheduled to close in September 2011; and

WHEREAS, the closure will have a tremendous economic impact on the entire Southside; and

WHEREAS, local communities have about five years to work on redevelopment plans for the 488-acre historic army post; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council wishes to contribute to the planning initiatives and process for the redevelopment of Fort McPherson; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council desires to establish a Fort McPherson Citizen Advisory Group to advise the City of Atlanta on how to best use the land.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, as follows:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> There is hereby created a Fort McPherson Citizen Advisory Group, whose task shall be to research, explore, evaluate and identify the best, possible reuse scenarios for the Fort McPherson Army Base.

SECTION 2: The Advisory Group shall be comprised of twelve (12) members who shall be appointed as follows:

- a. One member designated by APAB
- b. One member each appointed by NPUs S, R and X
- c. One member from Sylvan Hill Neighborhood Association
- d. One member from Capitol View Neighborhood Association
- e. One member from Oakland City Neighborhood Association
- f. One member from Venetian Hills Neighborhood Association
- g. One member from Willow Brook Estate Neighborhood Association
- f. One member appointed by LRA
- g. A city attorney designated by Atlanta City Attorney
- h. City of Atlanta Planning Director or her designee

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SECTION 3: The Fort McPherson Citizen Advisory Group will present a study with recommendations via a report to the Mayor and City Council no later than December 31, 2008, effectively ending the duty of the Advisory Group.

SECTION 4: All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed for purposes of the ordinance only, and only to the extent of the conflict.